GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:115
ANSWERED ON:09.02.2017
Sale of Conventional Incandescent Bulbs
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of average sale of conventional incandescent bulbs in the country annually;

(b) whether the Government plans to phase out the iconic incandescent bulbs through gradual ban on production and sale of these bulbs starting with high voltage bulbs and encourage consumers to use energy efficient alternatives;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented;

(d) whether the Government proposes to compensate the manufacturers of incandescent bulbs likely to be affected by this move and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to opt for energy efficient bulbs/lamps in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.115 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 09.02.2017 REGARDING SALE OF CONVENTIONAL INCANDESCENT BULBS.
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(a) : As per the information received from Electric Lamp Component Manufacturers' Association of India (ELCOMA), the average sale of conventional incandescent bulbs is about 770 million pieces.

(b) : At present, there is no plan to phase out the incandescent bulbs through gradual ban on production and sale.

(c) & (d): Does not arise.

(e) : The National LED programme, called Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA) and Street Lighting National Programme (SLNP) have been launched in 2015, which are being implemented by Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), a joint venture company of four Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under Ministry of Power. The target is to replace 77 crore old bulbs with LED bulbs under UJALA scheme and 3.5 crore street lights in all Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) in the country under SLNP by 31/03/2019.

EESL has developed an innovative business model in which the entire investment in these programme is made by EESL and the investment is paid back over a time from energy savings. There is no element of Government of India subsidy in the scheme.

As on 06/02/2017, approximately 20.60 crore LED bulbs have been distributed under UJALA scheme and 16.80 Lakhs street lights have been replaced by LED lights under SLNP by EESL.

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